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The 2 Communications Regiment

- 1. The 2 Communications Regiment is quartered in barracks located on the eastern side of Plovdiv, between the Plovdiv-Khaskovo and the Plovdiv-Asenovgrad roads. The barracks consist of three 2-story buildings, 80 by 20 meters, erected 50 meters apart with a barbed wire fence on the northeast side and a stone fence approximately two meters high on the southwest side. As of October 1951, the 2 Communications Regiment was composed of 760 men.
- 2. The Commanding Officer of 2 Communications Regiment is Major Mincho Minchev, who replaced Major Nikola Yevchev, transferred to Sofia in the spring of 1951. Major Tseko Vulkov is deputy commanding officer.¹
- 3. Between 600 and 800 men from combat units subordinate to "B" Army are sent to 2 Communications Regiment for nine months training in telephone and radio; after this training the men return to their respective units.
- 4. In the summer of 1951, First Lieutenant Komitev [redacted] replaced Captain Boykov as head of the Intelligence Section of 2 Communications Regiment.

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Military Units in the Asenovgrad Area

- 5. [redacted] locations of the following units:
 - a. The 3 Artillery Regiment, in Asenovgrad; in the fall of 1951, this unit took part in a one-day maneuver held in the Plovdiv area;

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- b. An unidentified infantry regiment, in Smelyan; and
- c. An unidentified infantry unit, composed of approximately 1,000 men, in Shiroko Pole (N4138 E2529); this unit was quartered in tents located approximately 100 meters from the railroad.

Recall of Reserves

6. [redacted] the following cases of soldiers recalled for reserve training in March 1952: 50X1-HUM

- a. A soldier from Plovdiv, and one from Serafimovo (N4131 E2447), the latter a member of the class of 1925;
- b. A member of the class of 1922 recalled for training with a coast artillery regiment in Varna, and released in late April; and
- c. A member of the class of 1914 who was given three months training in Plovdiv.

Planes at Malevo Airfield

7. In March 1952, four single-engine planes were seen at the Malevo airfield (N4151 E2533).

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